FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Martin Rod D  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O GALECTIN THERAPEUTICS INC.  7 WELLS AVENUE, SUITE 34					3. D	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     GALECTIN THERAPEUTICS INC     3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     05/25/2012										Relationship of Reporting F eck all applicable) X Director Officer (give title below)			10% C	wner (specify	
(Street) NEWTON MA 02459 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					action	ction 2A. Deer			3. Transa Code 8)	3. 4. Securi Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3,			or 5. Am 4 and Secur Benef Owne Repor Transi		ount of 6 rities F ficially (I d Following (I		wnership n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock					05/25/2012				P		5,000	-	A	\$2.44		91,488			D		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ve Conversion Date Execution Date or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Date, ny/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiration (Month/E	Date Expiration  Expiration Date  Month/Day/Year)  Expiration  Exercisable  Expiration  Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

**Explanation of Responses:** 

/s/ Maureen E. Foley,

Attorney-in-Fact for Rod D. 05/25/2012

Martin

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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